

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as indicated hereafter. It is believed that the following amendments and additions add no new matter to the present application.

In the Specification: [Use ~~strike through~~ for deleted matter and underlined for added matter.]

On page 5, please make the following changes in paragraphs 2, 3, and 4.

Figure 3 is a view identical to the view of Figure 2, showing a detail of an embodiment of a pressure cooker of the invention, with the timer removed; [and]

Figure 4 is a fragmentary cross-section view, showing details of how a temperature sensor can be mounted on the lid of a pressure cooker of the invention[.]; and

Figure 5 is a fragmentary view showing an alternate embodiment with the timer and temperature sensor mounted on the bowl.

BEST MANNER OF IMPLEMENTING THE INVENTION

In the following description, reference is made to a household pressure-cooking appliance of the pressure cooker type which, in a manner known per Se, comprises a metal cooking bowl (not shown in the figures) and a lid 2 designed to be mounted on the bowl 1 to form a leaktight cooking enclosure. Leaktightness is obtained by locking the lid 2 to the bowl by means of a locking/unlocking system including an annular sealing gasket (not shown in the figures), thereby enabling the appliance to be brought up to pressure and the food contained in the appliance to be cooked.

On page 8, please make the following change to the 2nd paragraph:

By way of a variant, it is naturally possible to consider positioning these two elements directly on or through the walls of the bowl, as shown in Figure 5

by means of a suitable fitting, or fixing them to the bowl by means of the handles of the pressure cooker.

In the Abstract: [Use ~~striketrough~~ for deleted matter and underlined for added matter.]

~~An appliance for cooking food under pressure is disclosed herein. The appliance comprises a bowl, a lid (2) designed to be mounted on the bowl, a temperature sensor (10), and a pressure regulating valve (3). The pressure-regulating valve is sensitive to the pressure prevailing inside the cooking enclosure and is mounted to move between two stable abutment positions. A first position shuts off communication from the enclosure to the outside so long as the internal pressure is lower than a predetermined pressure P_0 . A second position puts the inside of the enclosure into communication with the outside via a steam outlet (7) once the internal pressure reaches substantially the predetermined pressure P_0 . The temperature sensor (10) is disposed in the vicinity of the outlet (7) so as to make it possible to sense the increase in temperature resulting from the steam passing through the steam outlet (7).~~

A pressure cooking appliance with a bowl and lid therefor, a temperature sensor, a pressure regulating valve, and a steam outlet in communication with the valve. The temperature sensor is disposed in the vicinity of the valve to sense an increase in temperature from steam exiting the outlet for triggering a timer that signals the beginning of and counts down the cooking time.